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## **AMENDMENT TO THE DECLARATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY IN ORANGE COUNTY**

**Sec. 1.** The undersigned declared the existence of a state of emergency in Orange County on March 13, 2020 and revised said declaration of emergency on March 25, 2020, April 23, 2020, May 6, 2020, May 21, 2020, and June 10, 2020 (the “Declarations”).

**Sec. 2.** The Governor of North Carolina, through Executive Order 138 (“EO 138”), began moving the state into Phase 1 of the state’s planned COVID-19 recovery on May 8, 2020; through Executive Order 141 (“EO 141”) began moving the state into Phase 2 on May 22, 2020; and through Executive Order 147 (“EO 147”) mandated the wearing of face coverings throughout North Carolina.

**Sec. 3.** The undersigned adopted a revised declaration of emergency incorporating the terms of EO 141, with minimal changes, having an effective date of May 22, 2020 and amended that declaration on June 10, 2020 to extend the effective date of the Declarations through August 31, 2020 and to require face coverings in Orange County.

**Sec. 4.** In consideration of all available data related to the impacts of COVID-19 in Orange County the undersigned has determined it is in the best interest of the residents of Orange County that the prohibitions and restrictions in all prior Orange County Declarations are superseded by the Governor’s Executive Orders 141 and 147, except as follows:

- i. Prohibited “Mass Gatherings” as defined in EO 141 shall include all indoor meetings of more than 10 people including meetings of public bodies (Pursuant to EO 141 worship services, spiritual gatherings, weddings, and funerals are exempt from this restriction); and
- ii. The mandatory mitigation measures set out in EO 138, Section 7B.2. apply to all long-term care facilities described in Section 7A.3., which are situated in Orange County; and
- iii. Pursuant to the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services guidelines restaurants shall limit customers at tables so that no more than six (6) people shall be seated together at the same table. However, more than six (6) people may sit together at the same table if they are members of the same household; and

- iv. The terms of EO 141, EO 147, and this Amendment shall remain in effect in Orange County until August 31, 2020 or until the local declaration of a state of emergency in Orange County is terminated or amended by further action by the County.

**Sec. 5.** Pursuant to the authority granted by Chapter 14 of the Orange County Code of General Ordinances and Chapter 166A of the N.C. General Statutes, the prohibitions and restrictions specified in Section 4 shall continue to remain in full force and effect during the ongoing state of emergency. This Amendment does not apply to state government offices or local education agencies, which are governed directly by the Executive Orders.

**Sec. 6.** A copy of this Amendment shall be provided to the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners. Reports of the substance of its prohibitions and restrictions shall be sent immediately to the mass communications media serving Orange County. As soon as practicable, the full text of this Amendment shall be distributed to the mass communications media serving Orange County.

**Sec. 7.** This Amendment is effective at 5:00 pm on Friday June 26, 2020.



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Penny Rich, Chair  
Orange County Board of Commissioners

June 26, 2020

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Date